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THURSDAY, *April* 24, 1755.

BREST, *January* 18.

ALL our Workſhops are full of People, who work with incredible Ardour. Beſides the Hands that have been brought from all Parts, all the Carpenters and Joiners of the Town are at work for the Government; and upwards of 30 Ovens are employed in baking Biſcuit. There is no Scarcity of Money to pay the Workmen, freſh Supplies arriving daily. But notwithſtanding all this Diligence the Fleet will not be very ſoon ready to put to Sea.

Paris, January 11. There has happened a very extraordinary Accident here: M. du Tremblay having conceived an inſurmountable Averſion to his Wife, and having always two loaded Piſtols upon his Table, with which he often threatened to ſhoot her, purſued her one Day with a Knife in his Hand, threatening, with horrid Imprecations, to bury it in her Boſom. In this Situation ſhe retired behind the Table, and preſenting one of the Piſtols, adviſed him to keep at a Diſtance. But he advancing, and repeating his Threats, ſhe diſcharged the Piſtol through his Head, and immediately applied herſelf to the King, who, upon a ſtrict Enquiry into the Affair, has granted her a Pardon.

Paris, January 27. Upwards of 8000 Men are at work Day and Night at Breſt.

Paris, February 3. M. Robinſon is arrived here from London, to confer with our Miniſtry on the Means of accommodating the Differences which ſubſiſt between the Engliſh and us with regard to the Indies.

Edinburgh, Jan. 10. In a Letter from Perth, dated the 10th paſt, we have the following particular Account of the Execution of John Hall, on Tueſday ſe'nnight for Deſertion.——Tueſday laſt John Hall, and John Lamb, both Deſerters from Lord Robert Manners's Regiment of Foot, quartered in this Place, purſuant to a Sentence of a general Court Martial, were carried from Priſon to the South-Inch to be ſhot. When Prayers were over, the Parſon retired, and they on their Knees, and their Faces covered, the commanding Officer drew near, and produced the laſt Order, that one was to die; their Fate to be determined by a caſt of the Dice on the Drum Head, and that who threw the moſt Blacks was to live. On hearing the Order, both ſtarted to their Feet. Hall threw firſt, and caſt up 7. Lamb in great Agony and Concern of Mind, prayed for ſome Time in a moſt ſerious Manner, and then riſing up, threw 8. Upon this Hall fell down on his Knees, and calling for Mercy from Almighty God, was inſtantly ſhot dead. The whole was a moſt moving and affecting Scene.

Dublin, Jan. 4. On the 11th of laſt Month, about three in the Afternoon, there was a violent Flaſh of Lightning, accompanied with a loud Clap of Thunder, at Newton-luxta-Tattenhall in the County Palatine of Cheſter, by which one John Prichard, a Farmer in that Neighbourhood, and his Horſe, were killed. There was a Hole in his Hat through which a Man's Hand might paſs; Part of the Ribband of his Wig was taken away; upon his Forehead, above the right Temple, was a Wound above an Inch in Length, as if made by an edged Inſtrument; upon his Breaſt and Neck were ſome large Spots of a red Inflammatory Colour, and the Skin taken off in two or three Places; the Buttons were ſtruck off his Coat, his Gloves ſhattered, and his Breeches upon the inner Side of the right Thigh were much torn, as was his right Boot from the Top to the Sole; above his right Knee, and from thence to the Calf of his Leg, the Fleſh was diſcoloured, and in ſome Places the Skin off.

Dublin, February 21. Their Excellencies the Lords Juſtices Proclamation for impreſſing Seamen, was proclaimed through this City, by Beat of Drum, and poſted in the moſt public Places and the Quays.

Cork, January 9. One Rawlins, a Bawdy Houſe Keeper, was puniſhed here the other Day in the following Manner: His Hands were faſtened with ſingle Handcuffs to the Tail of the Cart, a Man with a large Pair of Horns on his Head ſat on the Horſe, ſounding a Ram's Horn, a lewd Woman (confined for her Fees) ſat in the Cart with a monſtrous Pair of Horns on her Head, the Cart was preceded by the City Trumpeters on Horſeback, and ſurrounded by the Conſtables to keep off the Mob. The Bellman who whipped Rawlins, was in his Waiſtcoat, and wore a large Pair of Horns, and the Sheriff followed cloſe after to ſee that Juſtice was rigorouſly executed. This Man was very much noted in the Buſineſs he ſuffered for, and had acquired a good Deal of Money, ſo that he propoſed to the Mayor to fine off his Puniſhment at a conſiderable Price; but his Propoſal was rejected.

Kinſale, January 20. The Portbury, of Briſtol, Burthen 120 Tons, John Smith, Maſter, from Boſton, with Tar, Oil, and Staves, for Briſtol, is drove in here in a moſt diſtreſſed Condition.

LONDON.

January 30. Our Correſpondent at Paris aſſures us, that the better Sort of People there are very far from being inclined to a Rupture, and make no Scruple of affirming that the Expence of one Year's War would amount to more than the Crown of France has gained by the Country of Canada ſince ſhe was poſſeſs'd of it.

We hear from France, that ſeveral Privateers are fitting out to cruize on the Coaſt of America.

It is talked on about St. James's, as a Thing certain, that his Majeſty will viſit his German Dominions upon the Riſing of the Parliament, which it is thought will be the latter End of April, and that he will have an Interview with her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs of Heſſe.

February 1. We are informed that the Fleet now fitting out, will conſiſt of upwards of twenty Capital Ships, and be commanded by the brave and fortunate Lord Anſon, aſſiſted by the gallant Admiral Hawke, and Boſcawen. All the Officers are to be Men of choice and approved Behaviour. ——Whence it is not doubted, through the ordinary Bleſſings of Providence, but that our Enemies will ſoon repent their Temerity in thus rouſing the Engliſh Lion; and that the Flag of Great-Britain will fly over the Deep with as much Honour as ever it did, within the moſt ſhining and envied Periods of Naval Hiſtory.

On Thurſday laſt 500 Men were appointed by the Watermens Company, to ſerve on board his Majeſty's Navy, according to a Notice ſent down to the Lords of the Admiralty.

The Prince a new Ship of 90 Guns, Charles Saunders, Eſq; the St. George of 90 Guns, Charles Colby, Eſq; and the Torbay of 74 Guns, John Stort, Eſq; Commanders, were this Week put in Commiſſion, and it is ſaid that Lord Anſon will hoiſt his Flag on board the Prince, Admiral Boſcawen on board the St. George, and Sir Edward Hawke on board the Torbay.

Private Letters from the Ports of France make their Naval Preparations more formidable than the foreign Gazettes; for, at Breſt alone, according to theſe Letters, there are 59 capital Ships, ſeveral of which are in Readineſs to put to Sea; and it is expected they may be all equipp'd before the End of April.

Two Deſerters from the Duke of Berwick's Regiment, in France, who are arrived in England, ſay, that 6000 Men were arrived at Cherburg, in order to embark for Pondicherry.

We hear that a Perſon lately employed as Secretary, by a certain foreign Ambaſſador, but now diſcharged his Service, has been taken up, together with his Clerk and another Gentleman, by Order of the Government, and all his Papers ſeized.

On Thurſday Night 30 able Watermen came to Admiral Boſcawen's, at the Admiralty, and entered voluntarily to be his Barge Watermen.

Yeſterday a Lieutenant belonging to a Preſs-Gang, attempted to preſs a Scotch Sailor near St. Catherine's, who was armed with a Cutlaſs, and cut the Lieutenant in ſuch a dangerous Manner acroſs the Arm, that it muſt be cut off.

This Morning the India Company ſhipped 4800 Pieces of Braſs Ordnance for their Settlements.

It is ſaid by ſome People, who pretend to be well informed how Matters ſtand, that the Propoſals lately made by the French Court import, that if England would cede to France, the Lands on the Back of Virginia, claimed by the latter, Affairs in the Eaſt-Indies might be eaſily adjuſted; but this enſnaring, inſolent Propoſition, we hear, has been rejected with the Indignation it deſerved; and the French Court, we doubt not, will, on this Occaſion, experience that the Voice of King and People is the Voice of God.

Extract of a Letter from Dover, January 14.

"*About a Month ſince a large Dutch Ship, by the Darkneſs of the Morning, ran upon the Black Rock near this Pier, upon which, according to Cuſtom, the Huffling Boats went off, though the Sea ran very high, in order to ſave the People, five of whom were deſirous to come on Shore, but were prevented by the Captain's Perſuaſion, that the Ship would get off again, notwithſtanding the People of our Harbour aſſured them of the contrary; the Boats returned to Shore, the Beach was crowded to ſee the Event; the Sea broke over the Veſſel, and the five Seamen abovementioned took to the Boat, but as they came juſt to Shore it overſet; the Huffler went off again to ſave them, and having got but Four, concluded that one of them muſt be under the Boat, which they endeavoured to right, but without Effect, when a Perſon beat a Hole in the Boat's Bottom with a Hook, and thereby ſoon got at the Man, who was near expiring; but by the Aſſiſtance of a Surgeon he was recovered.*

"*During all this Time the Veſſel was beating to Pieces, and the Mainmaſt was come by the Board, which the Remainder of the Ship's Company (except the Captain) got upon, and the Wind blowing right in Shore drove them ſafe to the Beach. The Captain remained upon Deck determined not to quit the Ship; and ſo great was his Reſolution, that I ſaw him beat almoſt dead upon the Deck, and at laſt buried with his Veſſel in the Sea.*"

Feb. 4. We hear that out of 500 Men, ſummoned to Watermens-Hall, the Regulating Captains took 450; the Lightermens Apprentices on the River Thames are all ſummoned to appear at that Hall.

Laſt Week the Ranger Man of War began a ſharp Preſs for Seamen in Yarmouth Roads, bringing too all Ships paſſing thro'; and, we hear, that they have impreſſed a great many able Sailors for his Majeſty's Service.

Laſt Week a pretended Preſs Gang met a Country-man in St. George's Fields, and preſſed him, but told him, if he had any Money about him, and would give it them, they would let him go; on which the poor Man ſaid, he would give them his All, which was two Guineas, which they took, and let him go; but between Tooley-ſtreet and London-Bridge, he met with a real Gang, who laid hold of him, when he telling them how he had been ſerved before, and that the pretended Gang were at a Public-houſe which he would ſhew them, they went with him and ſecured them all.

Charles Pinckney, Eſq; one of his Majeſty's Council for South Carolina, has lately had the Honour to wait on her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs of Wales, at Leiceſter Houſe, with a Piece of Silk Damask of the Growth and Produce of his own Plantation, in that Province, and dy'd a fine blue, with *Carolina Indigo*, which her Royal Highneſs was pleaſed to receive very favourably; and to declare her Satisfaction in ſeeing ſuch Improvements made in the Produce of our Colonies; and ſo much approved the ſame, that ſhe will honour it with her own Wearing.

We hear a Regiment of Mariner is to be raiſed directly.

February

Feb. 6. It is now certain that the French Fleet are going to Canada.

Laſt Saturday the following Ships were ordered to be fitted out for the Sea, viz. The Barfleur, 2d Rate, and Lancaſter, 3d Rate, for Pendants at Chatham. Ramilies, 2d Rate, Grafton and Chicheſter, 3d Rates, at Portſmouth. Ipſwich, 3d Rate, at Plymouth. There are in Commiſſion, beſides the above-mentioned, 41 Ships, the greateſt Part of which are the Line of Battle. No Ship under 60 Guns, is eſteemed to be of the Line of Battle.

On Tueſday the Somerſet, of 80 Guns, and ſome more Men of War, were put into Commiſſion.

It has been ſaid in ſome of the Foreign Gazettes, that the new Treaty between France and Spain relates only to Commerce; but we now hear that it is nothing leſs than an Alliance Offenſive and Defenſive.

The Reports concerning the Difficulty of impreſſing Men, are ſo far from being true, that from the great Number of Volunteers who daily offer themſelves, the proper Officers have been enabled to diſcharge all ſuch as they apprehend may prove at all inexpert when abroad. Theſe Reports owe their Riſe chiefly to the ſham Preſs Gangs, compoſed of a Gang of Thieves, who take this Advantage of extorting Money from poor Fellows, that fall into their Hands. Many of them have already been detected.

We hear that there have been near 3000 Men preſſed, and about one Third of them refuſed.

February 6. Laſt Night the Ruſſian Ambaſſador gave a moſt magnificent Ball at Somerſet-Houſe, at which his Majeſty and the Royal Family were preſent, who had a Number of Tickets preſented them to be diſpoſed of at their Pleaſure. The Royal Family, and the principal Nobility, firſt paid a Viſit to the Dutcheſs of Norfolk, who ſaw Maſks the Beginning of the Evening at her Grace's Houſe in St. James's Square, where a kind of Portico covered with Canvaſs, was erected from the Door, to the Footway, for the Accommodation of Chairs ſetting down the Ladies, over Cover, ſo as not to be expoſed to the Populace. From thence to Somerſet Houſe the Succeſſion of the Chairs continued for a conſiderable Time without Intermiſſion. It would fill this Paper to diſplay the Grandeur of the Entertainment, or the Brilliancy of the illuſtrious Aſſembly, who vied with each other in Richneſs of Attire. The Princeſs of Wales appeared in a rich blue Habit; Lady Auguſta in a white Italian Dreſs, with a black Cap ſplendidly ornamented with Diamonds; the Prince of Wales in rich Pink, dreſſed after the Manner of Tancred, with a large Plume of Feathers on his Head; a celebrated Counteſs appeared in the Character of Eve; the Fruit Pendant to her Fig-Leaf was compoſed of Diamonds of the largeſt Size; a noble Lady ſhone in the Habit of a Nymph, which was embroidered over with Stars ſtudded with Brilliants to the Amount of 100,000 l. value. In a Word, few Exhibitions of this Kind have equalled, none excelled it. The Number of Perſons were above a Thouſand.

Feb. 8. By a Letter from Portſmouth we are informed, that they go on vigorouſly in Marine Affairs; the Terrible, one of the French Ships, being cleaned and ſheathed laſt Wedneſday, in eight Hours and three Quarters, by Torch and Candle Light; an Inſtance of Expedition hardly to be parallelled; ſhe is 74 Guns, and takes more ſheathing Board than any of our firſt Rates.

Feb. 11. Letters of good Credit aſſure, that we ſhall ſpeedily hear of a Reigning Prince in Germany abjuring the Proteſtant Religion to embrace Popery.

Several Regiments are ordered over from Ireland, which are expected in a few Days.

February 8. We hear that new Credentials have been ſent to Mr. Porter, the Britiſh Miniſter at Conſtantinople, accompanied with a Letter, wherein his Majeſty congratulates Oſman on his Acceſſion to the Ottoman Throne, and aſſures him that he will eagerly embrace every Opportunity to cultivate the good Underſtanding that has ſubſiſted ſo many Years between the two Crowns.

According to the laſt Letters from Conſtantinople, ſome People look on the filial Tenderneſs of the new Sultan for his aged Mother as a Mark of a good Heart. Others obſerve, that we muſt not pronounce precipitately concerning the Temper of Princes brought up in the honourable Priſons of the Seraglio, where they make it their whole Study to render their real Characters impenetrable, and to aſſume an Outſide the leaſt capable of giving Umbrage to the reigning Prince. It will not be till after the new Sultan hath had Time to look about him, and to ſtudy the political Map of Europe and Aſia, that we ſhall be at Liberty to ſpeak of his Manner of Thinking. The Death of Count Deſalleurs, the French Miniſter, which happened a little before that of Mahomet, leaves a clear Field for the Ruſſian and Imperial Miniſters to keep the new Sultan in the Principles of his Predeceſſors.

February 11. On Sunday there was a numerous Appearance at Court of Sea Officers, who all ſeemed to vie with each other in ſhewing their Loyalty to their King and Country.

We hear there will be a Bill brought into Parliament for the regiſtering of Seamen.

The Right Hon. the Lords of the Admiralty, have been pleaſed to appoint Richard Tyrrell, Eſq; to the Command of the Ipſwich, of 70 Guns; a Gentleman who gallantly diſtinguiſhed himſelf for the Protection of our Trade in the Weſt Indies during the late War; and Nephew to the late brave Sir Peter Warren.

A great Number of Hands are employed at Woolwich, in making up Cartridges, Grape Shot, &c. with all Speed.

A conſiderable Number of Hands belonging to the Tower have engaged themſelves to ſerve as Armourers on board his Majeſty's Ships of War now fitting out; and 'tis ſaid they have great Encouragement.

February 13. Private Letters from Britanny inform us, that two Ships of the Line, and ſeveral Tranſports, with two Thouſand Land Forces on board, failed ſome Days ago from Port l'Orient for the Eaſt Indies.

We hear that Admiral Moſtyn is to hoiſt his Flag on board the Monarch Man of War at Portſmouth.

It is reported, that 4000 Marines are to be raiſed forthwith; and that five Men of War are to ſail directly for the Eaſt Indies.

To-morrow the Medway Man of War will be launched at Deptford, the Command of which is given to Capt. Peter Dennis.

The Scheme of a Lottery has been given away at the Houſe of Commons to raiſe the Government 500,000 l. in which Scheme are 54 Prizes of 10,000 l. each. The whole Lottery to conſiſt of a Million of Tickets, at One Guinea each.

We hear that Orders are iſſued at the War Office, to have Sir Peter Halket's and Colonel Dunbar's Regiments made to conſiſt of 1000 Men each Regiment, to be equal to the other two Regiments of Shirley's and Pepperell's, gone on the ſame Expedition to North-America. And, that

Orders are likewiſe iſſued to make the four Regiments at Nova-Scotia to conſiſt of the like Number with the Regiments abovementioned. Alſo, that

It is a Matter determined, that 40 Independent Companies of Marines be forthwith raiſed, to conſiſt of 100 Men each Company, and that every ten Companies are to be commanded by a Major, which will ſave a great Expence in regimenting them.

The four Regiments of Marines which are to be raiſed, are to be under the Direction of the Admiralty, independent of the Army, and are to be ſtationed at Portſmouth, Chatham, &c.

February 15. We hear great Numbers of Warrants are lodged in the Office of the Sheriff of the County of Middleſex, to be given to the Conſtables and other Officers to impreſs Marines for his Majeſty's Service.

A Company of the King's own Regiment of Foot embarked on Tueſday at Chatham for the Nore, to do Duty on board the Culloden Man of War, which rides there, as the Receptacle of preſſed Men.

A great Number of the Cadets in Woolwich Yard are appointed Officers in the Train of Artillery, and upwards of 100 Shipwrights are ordered into that Yard to forward the Men of War, &c.

Sir Edward Hawke is gone down to Portſmouth to hoiſt his Flag.

Three Companies of the Train of Artillery are to be ſent immediately to the Eaſt Indies, the Command of whom is to be given to Capt. Chalmers.

Many Ships are arrived at all the Out Ports; and we hear that a Number of Seamen have voluntarily entered on board his Majeſty's Fleet.

However uncertain the Queſtion may be, whether War or Peace will be the Iſſue of our preſent Naval Preparations, it is not to be doubted, from the uncommon Vigour and Expedition with which they are purſued, that we ſhall be able in a few Weeks, to exhibit, for the Glory of Old England, a Fleet, ſufficient at once to alarm Europe, and ſtrike Terror in our aſpiring Neighbours.

The Commiſſions in the forty Companies of Marines which are to be raiſed, are to be ſigned by his Majeſty, or the Duke, but the Lords of the Admiralty are to clothe and ſtation them at the Dock Yards, to ſerve as Sailors on an Emergency; Lieutenants of Marines on Half Pay, are to be put on whole Pay, and employed in this Service.

We have the Pleaſure to acquaint the Public, that of the Navy Debt of Fourteen Hundred Thouſand Pounds, one Half of it will be paid directly.

Wagers of One Hundred Guineas to Five, are offered at St. James's End of the Town, that there will be no War between Great Britain and France, for two Years to come.

BOSTON, April 7.

The Public is adviſed to beware of Counterfeit Dollars, many ſuch being abroad. They are caſt in Sand, or Chalk, but ſo well done, that unwary People may be deceived by them. They are much lighter than the true Ones, of a blackiſh or dead Colour, and will neither ring nor jump when dropt on a Board or Stone, as the Silver Ones do.

A few Days ago, three Men belonging to Norton, were taken up and committed to Goal for making and uttering Counterfeit Dollars, and all their Tools or Implements ſeized. One of theſe ingenious and Induſtrious Fellows is ſaid to be a flaming New-Light Teacher, who, no Doubt (according to the Cant of the Sect) will plead a Revelation in Excuſe of his Crime.

The Maſter of a Veſſel from Virginia informs, that ſoon after he came out he ſpoke with a Sloop of War bound in with Diſpatches for the ſeveral Governors, &c.

On Saturday laſt, a Sloop with a Company of Colonel Pepperell's Regiment, bound from Piſcataqua to New York, put in here by Reaſon of bad Weather; and, we hear, ſhe is to proceed on her Voyage the firſt fair Wind.

Laſt Night came too, off Spectacle Iſland, the Store-Ship with Money, Cloathing, Ammunition, &c. for Col. Shirley's Regiment.

NEW-YORK, April 14.

Extract of a Letter, dated London, Feb. 10, 1755.

"*CHARLES HARDY, Eſquire, is appointed Governor of New-York, and will leave England ſome Time next Month. His Baggage is to be put on board Captain Miller, if in Time; but as Things are circumſtanced, it is not known when Miller or any of the other Veſſels in your Trade will leave London, as no Work can be done, and no Lighters to be had for Want of Men. Inſurance for theſe Parts is riſen to Four per Cent.*"

By an Act paſſed the laſt Seſſions of Aſſembly in Boſton, the Inhabitants of that Province, are forbid holding any Correſpondence with the People of Louiſbourg, &c. for four Months, commenced the firſt Day of March laſt; and all Maſters that are known to trade there, contrary to the Intent of ſaid Act, is to have one of his Ears cut off, be publickly whipped 39 Laſhes, render'd incapable of ever holding any Place of Honour or Profit in that Government for the future, his Veſſel and Cargo to be forfeited, and the Owner or Owners thereof, to forfeit 500 l. and be alſo diſabled from holding any Place of Honour or Profit in that Government.

PHILADELPHIA, *April* 17.

We hear that the New-Jerſey Aſſembly have agreed to raiſe Five Companies for his Majeſty's Service, and given Fifteen Thouſand Pounds for the Support of them.

ANNAPOLIS.

Thurſday Evening laſt, his Excellency our Governor, with the Three Northern Governors, and Gentlemen who accompanied them, returned to Town from Alexandria; *and on Friday and Saturday, the Governors* SHIRLEY, DE LANCEY, *and* MORRIS, *and other Gentlemen, went over the Bay, on their Return to their reſpective Governments and Homes.*

Tueſday Morning laſt, very early, his Excellency Governor SHARPE *ſet out from Town for* Frederick-Town.

The Sloop Eliſabeth, *Capt.* John Bennett, *belonging to Mr.* Rutland, *(who ſail'd from hence lately for* Barbados) *met with terrible Weather juſt after ſhe left the Capes, and is put into* Lewes *on* Delaware, *with the Loſs of her Maſt, but the Cargo not damag'd.*

This Day arrived off Weſt-River, *the Ship* Baltimore, *Capt.* Robert Wilſon, *in ſix Weeks and three Days from* London; *with whom came Paſſenger the Reverend Mr.* THOMAS THORNTON.

Capt. Chew, *and Capt.* Johnſon, *for this Province, ſail'd with Capt.* Wilſon.

From the Public Prints brought by Capt. Wilſon, *we have the following Advices,* viz.

LONDON, *February* 24.

IT is rumoured, that the Terms of Accommodation now on the Anvil, are, That the French deliver Ten of their moſt capital Ships of War, into the Harbour of Portſmouth, as ſome Attonement for their innumerable Invaſions and Inſults, ſince the Peace of Aix la Chapelle.

We hear that Orders have been diſpatched from the Lords of the Admiralty, and likewiſe from the Council-Chamber, to the Magiſtrates of moſt of the

the Corporations in the Kingdom, desiring them to lend all their Assistance in procuring a Number of Sailors and Landmen, whom they shall judge best able and qualified for the intended Expedition.

Every true Briton who has the Happiness of his Country and Liberties of his Posterity at Heart, cannot have a more agreeable Entertainment for the Eye of his Mind, than to view that generous Spirit and warm Zeal which Ministers and People, High and Low, Rich and Poor, display on the present Juncture.

Extract of a Letter from Gosport, Feb. 20.

'On Wednesday his Majesty's Ship Royal George, a first Rate of 100 Guns, was put into Commission in this Harbour, and the Command given to Roger Martin, Esq; who is succeeded in the Prince George, of ninety Guns, by the Hon. George Bridges Rodney; and James Douglass, Esq; has the Command of the Fougeux, in the Room of Capt. Rodney.'

'His Majesty's Ship Monarch will be ready for Spithead in a few Days.'

'The St. George, Prince George, Ramillies, Grafton, Chichester, Elizabeth, and Blanford Men of War, and Hornet Sloop, are getting ready for Sea with the utmost Expedition.'

'This Day the Ambuscade was commissioned, and several more Ships of War are getting ready for the same Purpose.'

'In the Dock-Yard, Gun-Wharff, King's Brew-house, Bakehouse, Cooperage, &c. the Artificers work extra.'

February 25. They write from Madrid, that on the 24th of last Month an Express arrived from Paris with Dispatches relative to the Armaments making in England and France: The Duke de Duras, the French Ambassador, had an Audience of the King the same Day on this Occasion; since which they seem to have been very busy at the Admiralty Office; and all the Officers belonging to the Spanish Navy, who are absent upon Furlows, have received Orders to return forthwith to their respective Stations.

Extract of a Letter from Paris, Feb. 14.

"The successive Arrival of Couriers from London, and the Accounts they bring of the great Naval Preparations making in England, have occasioned the dispatching of fresh Orders from the Admiralty Office to Brest and Rochefort, to fit out a greater Number of Ships than was at first intended."

"We are to add to the News brought from the Coast of Coromandel by the St. Lewis Indiaman, that when this Ship sailed from Pondicherry, they expected the Arrival of the last Vessels sent from France with Troops and warlike Stores. It was still uncertain, in March and April last, whether they should have War or Peace in those Parts. Mr. Dupleix being desirous to know whether the English would seriously treat about an Accommodation, had sent his Nephew, M. de Beaustet, to Madrass, with Instructions and full Powers; but this Step was not attended with the Success he expected from the last Advantage he had gained in the Field: So that he depended entirely on the Arrival of the new Reinforcements, either to give more Weight to the Negotiation, or to streighten the English in the Posts to which they retired after the Loss of the last Convoy."

Capt. Moss, of the Train of Artillery, is daily expected home from Minorca; and who, being the eldest Captain, will command the three Companies going to America.

Feb. 26. The following is an authentic Account of the Armament fitting out at Portsmouth.

	Guns	
Royal George	100	Capt. Martin
St. George	90	Capt. Storr
Prince George	90	Capt. Rodney
* Ramillies	90	Capt. Holburn
Monarch	74	Capt. North
* Grafton	70	Capt. Holmes
* Chichester	70	Capt. Brett
Elizabeth	70	Capt. Montagu
Ambuscade	40	Capt. Rowley
Blandford	20	Capt. Watkins
Hornet Sloop	16	Capt. Salt

The above eleven are all commissioned.

* Greenwich	50	
Romney	50	
* Newcastle	50	

These three are docked and ordered, but not commissioned.

Terrible	74	Capt. Pett. Ad. Hawke
Captain	70	Capt. Calford
Fougeux	64	Capt. Douglas
Anson	60	Capt. Mann
Nottingham	60	Capt. Marshall
Arundell	20	Capt. Lloyd

These six are now at Spithead.

All those Ships marked with a Star, are intirely new, and never out of Portsmouth Harbour.

It is reported that three Frenchmen have been executed in France, for holding a secret Correspondence with this Nation.

The Medway Man of War, which is almost rigged, is ordered to take in her Guns at Woolwich, and from thence to proceed with all convenient Speed for Spithead.

We hear from Cowes, that several able Seamen of that Place entered last Friday on board the Grafton, Capt. Holmes, and that many more had declared their Resolution of serving under that brave Officer, who is said to have received sailing Orders.

We hear that such a Spirit of Emulation is got amongst the Clothiers of this Kingdom, upon a late Account received from Bilboa, that the French exceed them in Colour, (especially in finer Sorts of Woollen Goods) that they are actually manufacturing, for the Spring Season, a new Colour of such remarkable Lustre, Firmness, and Beauty, that 'tis thought by many good Judges, nothing from France ever equalled it.

February 27. Last Sunday the Otter Sloop, Capt. Innis, sailed from Plymouth on a Cruize.

We hear that a Sloop is arrived Express from India at Port l'Orient, in four Months and three Weeks; and 'tis said she brings an Account of two more Skirmishes between the English and French on the Coast of Coromandel, in which the latter had the Advantage: That Monsieur Dupleix was building two Forts in the Province ceded to the French India Company by the King of Golconda, by which he may hinder the English from getting any Goods from that Part of the Country: And that the French Officers and Soldiers are grown very rich by their last Successes, though, as yet, we have no Particulars of the Booty they may have made.

Captain Harrison belonging to Newcastle, who cleared from Brest a few Days ago, brings Advice, that when he came within a League or so of that Port, he was met by a Tender, and told he would not be allowed to go into the Harbour, but must keep off at Sea, till a Vessel was ordered to take his Cargo from him. This being done, his Freight was brought to him by other Vessels, and he was dispatched without going ashore. From his Mast Top he discerned several Men of War in the Harbour, and computed them to be about thirty Sail of the Line of Battle. Some Danish Vessels were admitted, he adds, with Provisions, &c. as he imagined.

February 28. *As Great-Britain and France are making vigorous Preparations in their Naval Force; we are credibly informed that his Catholic Majesty has got eight Sail of the Line ready, and six more are ordered to be got ready with the utmost Expedition, exclusive of those in great Forwardness at Cadiz, by English Artificers.*

Recruits were shipped Yesterday Morning for America, to reinforce his Majesty's Forces in those Parts.

We hear that a Detachment of the Royal Train of Artillery will soon be sent to the several Forts along the Sea-Coasts.

It gives great Satisfaction to the Friends of our happy Constitution, to find that our Navy will soon be in a Condition to annoy our Enemies. They are busy at Work in every Yard in England.

Capt. John Holwall is gone down to Yarmouth, and other Sea Ports in the North, to recruit good Seamen, in the Manner that Soldiers are recruited for his Majesty's Service.

March 1. Letters from Madrid advise that at an extraordinary Council lately held in the King's Presence, a Resolution was taken to assemble immediately in the Harbour of Carthagena a Squadron of sixteen or eighteen Ships of the Line, to be employed as Occasion may require. They continue to raise Recruits in all the Provinces of Spain both for the Horse and Foot.

Advices from Spain import, that the Marine is very numerous, and in greater Forwardness for putting to Sea, than either our Fleet or the French.

According to private Letters from Hanover it begins to be rumoured there, that if a Rupture happen between Great-Britain and France they must not expect a Visit from their Sovereign this Summer; and that in whatever Part the War shall break out, the Troops of that Electorate will be augmented ten Men in each Company.

They write from Brest, that the Rainbow Frigate is sailed from thence for America, with Provisions for some French Men of War in that Part of the World.

The Right Hon. the Lords of the Admiralty have ordered six Men of War of the Fifth and Sixth Rates to be got ready with all Expedition.

The Lords of the Admiralty have appointed Capt. Parry Commander of the Kingston Man of War, of 60 Guns, at Chatham.

Capt. Michael Everitt is appointed Commander of the Buckingham Man of War at Chatham.

Capt. Francis Gains is made Commander of the Hound Sloop of 12 Guns, and 100 Men, fitting out with the utmost Expedition at Woolwich; where the Shipwrights are labouring with great Assiduity to finish the Royal Anne, a First Rate Man of War.

The Winchester is commissioned, and the Command given to Capt. Le Cras, Commodore Broderick being to go on board her to relieve Commodore Coates, now in the West Indies.

On Thursday the Beds and Baggage belonging to Commodore Saunders were carried from his House in Pall Mall, to be put on board the Prince Man of War at Chatham.

Edinburgh, Feb. 26. *Tuesday and Yesterday, in Consequence of his Majesty's Royal Proclamation, the proper Officers beat up for Seamen in this City and Leith, and we hear with very good Success.*

Cork, Feb. 28. *We hear from Kinsale, that the Press has been very hot in that Harbour for some Days past, and a great many impressed put on board the Fly Sloop.*

Custom-House, Annapolis, *Enter'd*,

Ship Severn, Jehoshaphat Rawlings, from Cork;
Schooner Eagle, William Deadman, from Salem;
Schooner Sophia and Anne, Richard Boone, from Bardados;
Ship Baltimore, Robert Wilson, from London.

THIS GAZETTE, N°. 520, compleats the Tenth Year of it's Publication.

To be Sold by Public Vendue, on Thursday next in the Afternoon, at the House where Thomas Fleming, *Block Maker, lately dwelt, in this City,*

SUNDRY Houshold Furniture, such as Beds, Bedding, Chairs, Tables, Looking-Glasses, *&c. &c. &c.*

April 24, 1755.

NOTICE is hereby given to the Inhabitants of *Anne Arundel* County, that (as very little of the County Tax has this Year been paid in Money) they are requested to pay off their Dues by the Tenth of *June* (the Time affix'd by Law) in Tobacco, that the Subscriber may be enabled to pay the Officers and Clergy, in the limited Time, their respective Demands. And those who do not settle, agreeable to Law, will oblige me to collect in a Way very disagreeable to them and me: But as I cannot pay the Officers and Clergy, except the Public pays me, I must, in Justice to myself, do what the Law directs; which I am in Hopes every Gentleman will prevent, by complying with the Law. Constant Attendance will be given every Wednesday and Thursday at my Office, to settle with all Gentlemen; which will oblige *Their most humble Servant,*

John Raitt, Sheriff
of *Anne Arundel* County.

GAMALIEL BUTLER,

HAVING procured an exceeding good BLOCK-MAKER, from *Philadelphia*, carries on that Business in *Annapolis*, at the Shop lately kept by *Thomas Fleming*; and all Gentlemen who may want Blocks of any Sort, for Shipping, may depend on being served in the best Manner, and at the cheapest Rates. He likewise makes and mends Pumps for Shipping and Wells; and also turns twisted Ballisters and hollow Work.

WHEREAS *Elizabeth*, the Wife of the Subscriber, living near *Manockasy*, hath eloped from him, and may probably run him in Debt: This is therefore to forewarn all Persons against trusting the said *Elizabeth*, on his Account, for he will pay no Debts of her contracting after this 23d Day of *April*, 1755.

Charles Nell.

STRAYED about two Weeks ago from the City of *Annapolis*, a small, neat, well made, light grey Gelding, in good Order; it is uncertain whether he is branded or not, but has a short hanging Mane, his Feet and Ears lately trimm'd, is well gaited, and paces fast.

Whoever brings home the said Gelding, shall have Fifteen Shillings Reward, paid by

Thomas Hyde.

LEFT, some Time ago, in the Store of Mr. *Jacques*, near the Dock, a good GREAT COAT, which is now at the Printing-Office. The Owner of it may have it again, on describing it, and paying the Charge of this Advertisement.

To be Sold by the Subscriber, living on Potowmack, *near the Mouth of* Rock *Creek, in* Prince-George's *County.*

TWO Tracts of Land, both lying near the said Creek, 10 or 12 Miles from the Mouth of it: The one contains 240 Acres, it has a good Dwelling House, Kitchen, Corn House, Garden, Orchards, and a very good Spring; The other contains 156 Acres, whereon is a small Dwelling House, Tobacco House, and a good Orchard. 'Tis a fine Place for raising Stock.

Any Person inclinable to purchase may apply to

John Watson.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *John Bean*, at *Antietum*, in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a small dark Bay Stone Horse, hath some white Hairs in his Forehead, a black Mane and Tail, and is branded on the near Shoulder with C.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *William Cole*, at *Elk Ridge*, taken up as a Stray, a Bay Mare, branded on the near Buttock S G, she has had a very sore Back, suppos'd to have been hurt by a Cart Saddle. Also a black Mare Colt about two Years old, hath a large Blaze in her Face, Wall Eyes, her hind Feet white, and is branded on the near Buttock and Shoulder with S.

The Owner may have them again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

THE Subscriber intending to leave off Tavern-keeping, desires those who are indebted to him, to come and rub out their Scores, which will greatly oblige him.

N. B. He will still live in the same House and take in Gentlemen at private Lodgings, where they shall be well accommodated, by

Their humble Servant,

Charles Wallace.

JUST IMPORTED,

In the GREYHOUND, *Capt.* ALEX. STEWART, *from* LONDON, *and to be Sold, on board the said Ship, by the Subscriber, either by wholesale or retail,*

GERMAN and *Irish* Linens, brown and white Sheeting, Osnabrigs and brown Rolls, Lemons, refin'd Sugar, Cheese, *London* Porter and Ale, in Bottles and Cask, Pickles, *viz.* Capers, Anchovies, Olives, and Catchup, best *Durham* Mustard, and *Weston's* Snuff, Gloves and Mittens of all Sorts, Hats and Bonnets for Ladies, newest Fashion fine Flawse Tippets, *Scotch* Thread of all Sorts, Stocking Breeches and Waistcoats 4 Thread, brown marbl'd and white Thread Stockings, several Sorts of hard Ware, Earthen and Stone Ware little inferior to China, *viz.* white Agate and Tortoise Plates and Dishes, plain, scollop'd and flower'd, hand Basons and Bottles, Fruit Baskets, Salts, Coffee and Chocolate Cups, all Sorts of Milk Pans, Jugs, *&c.* Cordage and Oakam.

James Houston.

WHEREAS *Amy*, the Wife of me the Subscriber, living near the Mouth of *Manoccosy*, in *Frederick* County, has been disorder'd in her Mind, at Times, and made Way with some of my Effects: This is therefore to forewarn any Body from Trusting, or Dealing with, the said *Amy*, on my Account, as I will pay none of her Debts, or abide by any of her Bargains, after this 3d of *April* 1755.

William Wheat.

London-Town, March 31, 1755.

ALL Persons indebted to Mr. *William Black*, Merchant in *London*, are desired to make Payment to the Subscriber, his Attorney in Fact, by the first Day of *May* next, or else they may depend upon being sued to *June* Court.

Samuel Chapman.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living in *Alexandria*, on the 26th of *March* last, an *English* Servant Man, named *James Large*, his Face is a little bruised and black: He had on a dark Claret colour'd Coat, lined with Alopeen, with Metal Buttons, a strip'd Linsey Jacket, the Back and Front Parts, I believe, is of two Sorts, and a dark colour'd Pea working Jacket with Pewter Buttons, a Pair of light colour'd Breeches with Metal Buttons, and has a Hat and Wig. He went off on a small Bay Horse, has a Curb Bridle, and a Saddle but can't describe it.

Whoever takes up the said Servant, and brings him and Horse to the Subscriber, shall have a Pistole Reward, if taken in the County, if taken out of the County Two Pistoles, beside what the Law allows, paid by

John Dalton.

FOUND in the Possession of *Penelope House*, (who has been twice Whipp'd and Pillory'd for Shop-lifting), and committed to the Sheriff's Custody, by Order of Court, as they are supposed to be stolen, the following Things, viz. Two Pieces of black Lace, some white Lace, one fine Cambrick Apron, three Yards of Ribbon, one Pair of plain Ruffles, one lac'd Mobb, one Pair of white Stone Ear rings with Drops, one Gold Ring with Stones, and one Velvet Hood.

Whoever has lost any such Things, may view them at the Sheriff's Office, in *Annapolis*.

THE Subscribers living near *Upper-Marlborough*, in *Prince George's* County, carry on the Business of STAY-MAKING in the neatest and best Manner, and after the newest Fashion, they having Variety of all Necessaries for carrying on the same. And all Persons who are in want of any may depend upon being served, with all Expedition, and at the cheapest Rates, by

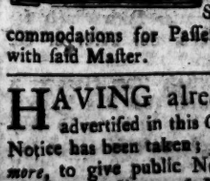
William and *Colmore Beanes.*

THE Subscriber, going out as Sutler to the Camp, intends to dispose of his Houses and Lots in the Town of *Alexandria*, which consists of one Acre, on which is a very convenient House, suitable for a Tavern, 82 Feet long, with a Kitchen, Meat-House and Stable.

Any Person inclinable to purchase may know the Terms by applying to Messrs. *Carlyle* and *Dalton*, or to

Nathanael Smith.

For *Charles-Town*, in *So. Carolina*,



The SHIP *FRIENDSHIP*, JOHN RATTRAY, Master;

Now lying in *West* River, and will sail in a few Days. She has extraordinary Accommodations for Passengers. For Passage agree with said Master.

HAVING already sundry Times advertised in this *Gazette*, of which but little Notice has been taken; I find myself obliged *once more*, to give public Notice, That all Persons on the Western Shore of *Maryland* indebted to BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Esq; and Company, of *Philadelphia*, are desired to make speedy Payment; and that Attendance will be given at Mr. *Middleton's* in *Annapolis*, the first Week in the Provincial Court in *May* next, to receive the same.

William Young.

LENT, but forgot to whom, one of the Bodies of Laws of this Province. On the Title Page is wrote *Robert Gordon*. Whoever has got it, is desired to return it to the Printer hereof.

JONATHAN RAWLINGS,

At the House lately kept by Anthony Smith, *about seven Miles from* London Town, *on the Road leading to* Calvert *and* St. Mary's *Counties,*

KEEPS TAVERN, where all Gentlemen Travellers may be well accommodated, and meet with good Entertainment and Usage, from

Their humble Servant,

Jonathan Rawlings.

February 27, 1755.

ALL Persons indebted to *Richard Gildart*, Esq; and Sons, of *Liverpool*, Merchants, for Dealings with their several Factors within this Province, are desired to settle their respective Accounts with, and pay the Ballances due to, the Subscriber, now Agent to the said Company, at *Oxford*, before the first Day of *July* next, otherwise they may expect to be dealt with, for Recovery thereof, as the Laws, in that Case made and provided, direct: And all Persons who have any Demands on the said Company, are desired, in that Time, to apply for Payment to

Thomas Brereton.

By whom is to be Sold, at *Oxford*, a large Assortment of *European* GOODS, on reasonable Terms.

RAN away from the Subscriber, the 20th of *November* last, living on *Patuxent* River, near *Upper Marlborough*, in *Prince George's* County, a dark Mulatto Man, named *Sam*, about 5 Feet 9 or 10 Inches high, about 30 Years of Age, a Carpenter by Trade, has a down Look, and low Voice. Had on when he went away, a new Cotton Jacket and Breeches, and Osnabrigs Shirt; he is supposed to have taken with him, one Cotton Coat lined with blue, one red Waistcoat and Breeches, one blue Silk Coat, one light Cloth Coat, some fine Shirts, and one or two good Hats. He is supposed to be lurking in *Charles* County, near *Bryan-Town*, where a Mulatto Woman lives, whom he has for some Time called his Wife; but as he is an artful Fellow, and can read and write, it is probable he may endeavour to make his Escape out of the Province.

Whoever takes up the said Runaway, and secures him so as his Master may get him again, shall have, if taken out of this Province, Three Pounds; and if within this Province, Forty Shillings, besides what the Law allows, paid by

William Digges, junior.

Baltimore County, *January* 25, 1755.

BROKE out of the County Goal, last Night, at *Joppa*, *John Tucker*, a Ship-Carpenter, about 5 Feet 10 Inches high, has lost some of his fore Teeth, he bends forward when walking, and is about 45 Years of Age.

Whoever apprehends the said *Tucker*, and brings him to my Goal, shall have FOUR PISTOLES Reward, if taken in the County; if taken out of the County, FIVE PISTOLES Reward, and reasonable Charges, paid by

William Young, Sheriff.

January 7, 1755.

THE Commissioners of the Paper Currency Office, have, by frequent Advertisements, desired the Debtors to that Office to come and pay the Interest due on their Bonds, which they have not hitherto complied with: Therefore they now inform all concerned, that they have put several Bonds in Suit, and that they will continue to do so, in every Instance, until all the Interest Money, due to the said Office, is paid in.

Signed per *Order of the Commissioners,*

Richard Dorsey,
Clerk Paper Currency Office.

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